

August 21, 2015

To the Honorable Members of
The Illinois Senate,
99th General Assembly:

Today I veto Senate Bill 1526 from the 99th General Assembly, which would amend the Property Tax Code to impose further burdens on property owners seeking to appeal their assessments.

Senate Bill 1526 precludes a property owner from seeking a change in the assessed valuation of his or her home of \$100,000 or more unless that change is specifically indicated in the complaint. This places a needless burden on Illinois taxpayers who already pay the second highest property taxes in the nation and further inhibits legitimate valuation appeals. Moreover, because this bill would preclude the appeal altogether, it creates an excessive penalty for what is a technical matter.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return Senate Bill 1526 entitled "AN ACT concerning revenue", with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner
GOVERNOR